



MAIL STOP
AMENDMENT

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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: J.D. Tobiason Attorney Docket No.: MEIP120131
Application No.: 10/674,619 Art Unit: 2877 / Confirmation No.: 4197
Filed: September 30, 2003 Examiner: M. Detschel
Title: INTERFEROMETRIC MINIATURE GRATING ENCODER
READHEAD USING FIBER OPTIC RECEIVER CHANNELS

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER/
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

April 17, 2006

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.
_____ 2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

| | Claims Remaining After Amendment | | Highest Number Previously Paid For | | Present Extra | | Rate | | Additional Fee |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|------------------|---|------|---|-------------------|
| Total Claims | 31 | - | 31 | = | 0 | x | 50 | = | 0 |
| Independent Claims | 2 | - | 3 | = | 0 | x | 200 | = | 0 |
| TOTAL | | | | | | | | | \$0 |

B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicant respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated October 20, 2005, set to expire on January 20, 2006, be extended by 3 months, to expire on April 20, 2006. The enclosed check includes the 3-month extension fee of \$1,020.

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C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 170038 in the amount of \$1,020 to cover the request for extension of time fee.

D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in a sealed envelope as first class mail with postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the below date.

Date: April 17, 2006 Victoria Sellers

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